



# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

## Assembly Health Policy Committee

### AGENDA

**December 6, 2023, 9:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.**

City Hall, 632 West 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Assembly Conference Room #155  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**Assembly Member Volland, Co-Chair** | **Assembly Member Bronga, Co-Chair**  
Assembly Member Brawley | Assembly Member Martinez | Assembly Member Rivera

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- 4. NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. Julia Luey with VOA
    - i. Impacts of fentanyl on youth
    - ii. Care surrounding issues of Medicaid eligibility – strict regulations and low rates contributions to the crisis
  - b. Alison Kear with Covenant House, increase of fentanyl overdoses at the facility
  - c. Health Department Update with Director Kimberly Rash
    - i. Health Department Data
    - ii. Impact of Short Staffing - re appointment cancellations and rerouting to ANMC and Providence
    - iii. Work Environment at the Health Department
- 5. COMMITTEE LEGISLATIVE AND BUDGET PRIORITIES**
  - a. Legislative Priorities
  - b. Budget Items
- 6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

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**ANNUAL LIST OF COMMITTEE LEGISLATIVE AND BUDGET PRIORITIES****a. State Legislative Priorities:****b. Assembly Legislative Priorities:**

- i. Leverage MOA resources for matching grants to catalyze long-lasting community investment
- ii. Continue meetings with Admin to get MCT/MIT to 24/7 (*Volland*)
- iii. Crisis Now updates
- iv. Integrate with the work of the Behavioral Health Community Task Force?

**Budget Priorities:**

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